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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Doug Van Den BROEKE, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4766

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For: METHOD OF ACHIEVING CD LINEARITY CONTROL FOR FULL-CHIP CPL

MANUFACTURING

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Mail Stop FEE Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated May 18, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire August 18, 2006, a petition for a two month extension of time up to and including October 18, 2006 being filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully traverse the pending rejections for the reasons set forth below.